



**WELCOME**  
 TO THE  
**PARISH**  
 OF  
**TAREE**

**Sunday Services - Taree & Old Bar**

**ST JOHN'S**  
**294 Victoria St. Taree**

**9am - SUNDAY**

**4pm - SUNDAY**

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
**18 Hall St. Old Bar**

**11am - SUNDAY**

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# Reflection - Easter 3

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is the crowning truth of our Christian faith. But the empty tomb in itself is not a direct proof of the resurrection. Nevertheless, it was the first step towards establishing the truth that Jesus had escaped the bonds of death. This empty tomb also prepared the disciples to encounter the risen Lord.

The shock caused by the death of Jesus was such that the disciples were slow to believe in the news of the Resurrection. We saw that last week with Thomas; we see it this week with the other disciples. When the risen Lord stands among them, they are in a state of alarm and fright. So much so, that Jesus greets them with peace. But even when faced with the reality of the risen Jesus, they still doubted, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. And knowing this state of alarm and fright, Jesus eats before them to dispel their thoughts of him being a ghost.

Our Christian belief is that the body will share in the triumph of the resurrection. The resurrection stories which we listen to during this Easter season keep stressing that Jesus rose with his body: the tomb is empty, the apostles touch him, he eats with them and walks with them.

All these stories stress that the risen Jesus is the same as the crucified Jesus.

Yet, he is somehow changed, and that is why his friends do not immediately recognise him. And so, the Resurrection from the dead is not simply a return to earthly life as before. Jesus has risen to a new life; and life beyond death; a life with God. He is the same, yet he is transformed.

And so, for us? Our bodies are an essential part of what it means to be human. A humanity shared by Jesus. And these bodies of ours are destined to be risen on the last day. This is the echo of our "Alleluia" to which we are witnesses. The resurrection of Jesus from the dead invites all of us not so much to become something else, but to be more authentically who and what we already are.



# Prayers

**WORLD:** People & communities affected by violence & conflict, racism & discrimination, oppression, poverty, natural disasters. Please pray for President Zelensky, the people of Ukraine, Aung San Suu Kyi & for the detained peoples of Myanmar, Lebanon, the Philippines & Papua New Guinea.

**CHURCH:** Bishop Peter, Assistant Bishops Sonia & Charlie; Synod & Diocesan Council; Manning Valley Anglican College - Darren Parkes, Greg Anderson; the Parish of Southlakes - Melinda McMahan, The Ministry Team; the Parish of Cardiff Boolaroo - Stephen Williams, Graham Gordon.

The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean; The Church of the Province of West Indies.

Diocese of Northern Territory (Bp Greg Anderson).

**COMMUNITY:** For the homeless, and agencies supporting the vulnerable. For the victims of abuse and violence. For those affected by the impacts of floods & other challenges. The First Peoples of the Diocese especially the Awabakal, Biripi, Darkinjung, Geawegal, Kamilaroi, Worimi & Wonnarua peoples.

**THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS:** Marilyn Simpson, Bill & Jill Green, Suzanne W., Jeanette, Donovan, Leonie, Rose-Marie, Suzanne C., Diane, Vera, Wendy McKeogh, Norrie Spicer, James, Jamison, Ian, Joan, Alex Platt & Margaret McDonald.

**PRAYERS FOR ANIVERSARIES:** Edna Bunney, Thelma Brook, Geoffrey Lamborn, Lesley Hatton & Robert Hicks.

**PRAYERS FOR DEPARTED:**

DIARY DATES			
Mon 15 April	4.00pm	Choir Practice	St John's
Thurs 18 April	10.00am	Old Bar Morning Tea	Village Café
Thurs 25 April		ANZAC Day	
Sun 28 April	5.30pm	Pot Luck Dinner	Parish Hall
Thurs 9 May	10.00am	Mothers Union	Latham Centre

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SENTENCE:

Turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord. Acts 3.19–20

### PRAYER OF THE DAY:

**Lord of life,  
by submitting to death, you conquered the grave;  
by being lifted upon the cross, you draw all peoples to you;  
by being raised from the dead,  
you restore to humanity all that was lost through sin:  
be with us in your risen power,  
that in word and deed we may proclaim  
the marvellous mystery of death and resurrection.  
For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen**

### FIRST READING

### Acts 3.12-20

A reading from the book of Acts

<sup>12</sup> When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, 'You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? <sup>13</sup> The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. <sup>14</sup> But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, <sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. <sup>16</sup> And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. <sup>17</sup> 'And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. <sup>18</sup> In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. <sup>19</sup> Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out, <sup>20</sup> so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah appointed for you, that is, Jesus.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 4

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness:  
**when I was hard-pressed you set me free;  
be gracious to me now and hear my prayer.**
- 2 Children of earth, how long will you turn my glory to my shame:  
**how long will you love what is worthless and seek after lies?**
- 3 Know that the Lord has shown me his wonderful kindness:  
**when I call to the Lord he will hear me.**
- 4 Tremble, and do no sin:  
**commune with your own heart upon your bed and be still.**
- 5 Offer the sacrifices that are right:  
**and put your trust in the Lord.**
- 6 There are many who say 'Who will show us any good?:  
**the light of your countenance, O Lord, has gone from us.'**
- 7 Yet you have given my heart more gladness:  
**that they have when their corn, wine and oil increase.**
- 8 In peace I will lie down and sleep:  
**for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

## SECOND READING

1 John 2.15-17; 3.1-6

A reading from the first book John

<sup>15</sup> Do not love the world or the things in the world. The love of the Father is not in those who love the world; <sup>16</sup> for all that is in the world—the desire of the flesh, the desire of the eyes, the pride in riches—comes not from the Father but from the world. <sup>17</sup> And the world and its desire are passing away, but those who do the will of God live for ever. <sup>1</sup> See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup> Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. <sup>5</sup> You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. <sup>6</sup> No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him.

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## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

### **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Lord Jesus, open the Scriptures to us; make our hearts burn while you speak to us.

### **Alleluia!**

## **Gospel**

**Luke 24.36b-48**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according Luke  
Chapter 24 commencing at verse 36.

### **Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>36</sup> While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.' <sup>37</sup> They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. <sup>38</sup> He said to them, 'Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.' <sup>40</sup> And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. <sup>41</sup> While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate in their presence. <sup>44</sup> Then he said to them, 'These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.' <sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup> and he said to them, 'Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**



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**IT'S A  
 POTLUCK!**

**BRING A FAVORITE  
 DISH TO SHARE**

Sunday 28 April 2024  
 @ 5.30 pm  
 in the Parish Hall



The Old Bar congregation  
 invite you  
 to join them for  
 Morning Tea  
 @10am  
 Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2024  
 Village Café  
 Shops 2 & 3  
 47 Old Bar Road, Old Bar



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 for you alone, Lord,  
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Pslams 4:8



## HOLY EUCHARIST READINGS

**SUNDAY 14<sup>th</sup> April – 3rd Sunday of Easter**

Acts 3. 12-20, Psalm 4;

1 John 2.15-17; 3.1-6 ; Luke 24. 36b-48

**SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> April – 4rd Sunday of Easter**

Acts 4. 5-12, Psalm 23;

1 John 3.16-24; John10. 11-18

## WELCOMERS

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	
9am	Janella Leotta Doreen Sinclair	9am	Di Woollard Ian Woollard

## READERS

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	
9am	Janella Leotta	9am	Ian Woollard
4pm	Greg Anderson	4pm	Ken Park

## MORNING TEA

Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> April		Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	
Lorraine + Bruce Monck		Doreen Sinclair + Bruce Walker	

## BRASS CLEANING for April

Lorraine + Bruce Monck



## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Psalmist assures us that knowing Christ's presence takes away shame and brings refreshing, gladness and peace. Today we are reminded that Jesus stood among his disciples and helped them to see his truth. As his witnesses, we stand among others who are disbelieving and still wondering and we show them the presence of the risen Jesus in the world through our transformed lives.

✦ Lord, help us to welcome your transforming presence in our lives and give us the courage to make you visible to a suffering world.

✦ Give thanks for the work and witness of the Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia, the Most Rev Geoff Smith.

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**The Anglican Parish of Taree works to build Faith & Hope in our community despite the struggles around us. Your help to continue this work is essential so please give what you can.**

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- ◆ Directly into the appropriate baskets before or after each service OR
- ◆ By Electronic Funds Transfer

Many People are finding that this is an easy, fuss free way to maintain their support.

Donations this way can be easily arranged by speaking to your bank directly or set it up through internet banking.

Bank: Westpac
Branch: Taree NSW
Account Name: Anglican Parish of Taree
BSB: 032-587
Account Number: 120 816
Reference: Parish or Mission recipient eg: ABM

*Some give freely yet grow all the richer;  
others withhold what is due,  
and only suffer want.  
A generous person will be enriched,  
and one who gives water will get water.*  
Proverbs 11:24-25

**The Anglican Church of Newcastle takes allegations of misconduct and abuse seriously.**

**We welcome and encourage everyone with concerns to come forward.**  
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